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(U) Annual Report to Congress on the Activities of the Council on Oversight of the National Leadership Command, Control, and Communications System



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I. (U) INTRODUCTION

(U) The "National Defense Authorization Act (NDAA) for Fiscal Year 2014, H.R. 3304, Public Law 113-66," in section 1052, amends Chapter 7 of title 10, United States Code, to add section 171a. This new section establishes within the Department of Defense a "Council on Oversight of the National Leadership Command, Control, and Communications System." NDAA section 1052 also requires that "At the same time each year that the budget of the President is submitted to Congress pursuant to section 1105(a) of title 31, the Council shall submit to the congressional defense committees a report on the activities of the Council. Each report shall include the following:

- (1) (U) A description and assessment of the activities of the Council during the previous fiscal year.
- (2) (U) A description of the activities proposed to be undertaken by the Council during the period covered by the current future-years defense program under section 221 of this title.
- (3) (U) Any changes to the requirements of the command, control, and communications system for the national leadership of the United States made during the previous year, along with an explanation for why the changes were made and a description of the effects of the changes to the capability of the system.
- (4) (U) A breakdown of each program element in such budget that relates to the system, including how such program element relates to the operation and sustainment, research and development, procurement, or other activity of the system."
- (U) The Department submits the following report in response to that request.

II. (U) ACTIVITIES OF THE COUNCIL DURING THE FISCAL YEAR 2014

- A. (U) GENERAL. The Council conducted five in-person meetings and an additional electronic meeting between February and December of 2014 during which all the specific National Leadership Command, Control, and Communications System (NLC3S)¹ responsibilities of the Council were performed.
- B. (U) OVERSIGHT OF PERFORMANCE ASSESSMENTS (INCLUDING INTEROPERABILITY) (Office of Primary Responsibility (OPR): Joint Staff (JS)/Deputy Director for Nuclear, Homeland Defense, and Current Operations (J33). Offices of Collateral Responsibility (OCRs): White House Military Office (WHMO), DoD Chief Information Officer (CIO)).



¹ NLC3S is the Congressional term for what DoD refers to as the National Leadership Command Capabilities (NLCC).

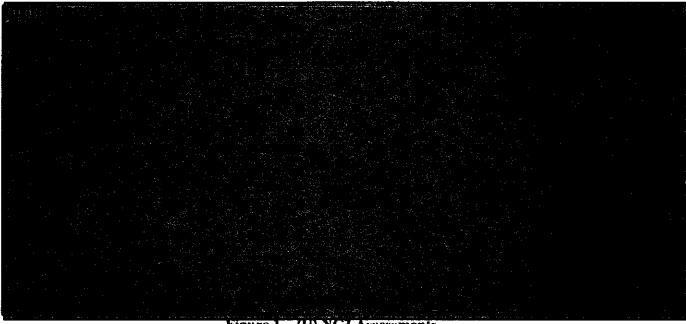
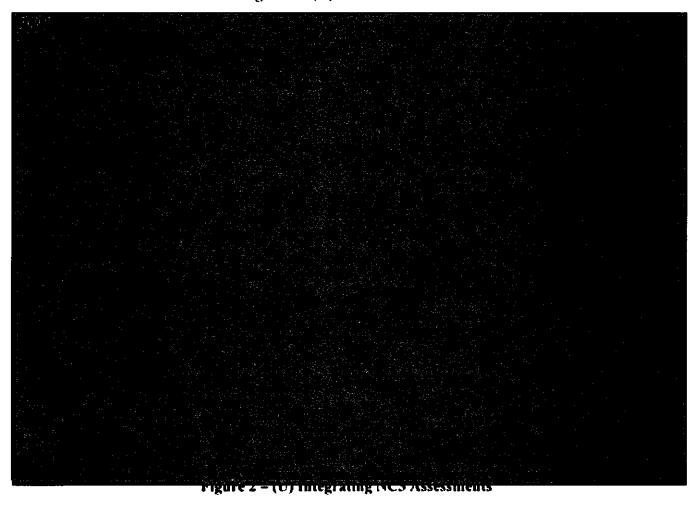


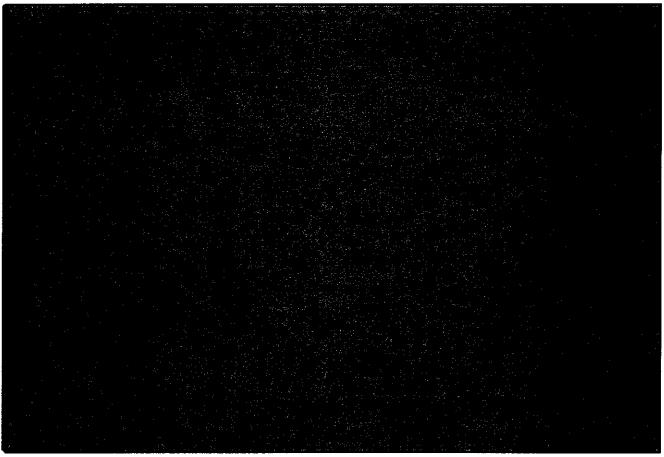
Figure 1 – (U) NC3 Assessments



² Senior leader and national leader are used synonymously in this document.

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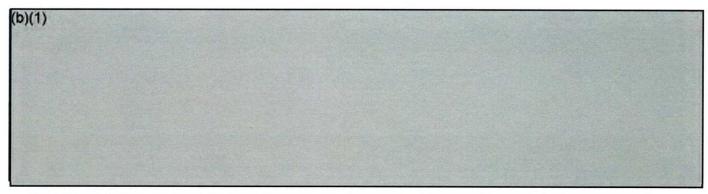
C. (U) VULNERABILITY IDENTIFICATION AND MITIGATION (OPRs: U.S. Strategic Command (USSTRATCOM), JS, Under Secretary of Defense for Intelligence (USD(I)). OCRs: Defense Information Systems Agency (DISA)/Joint Systems Engineering and Integration Office (JSEIO), National Security Agency (NSA)/Information Assurance Directorate, DoD CIO).



(U) <u>Request for Comprehensive NLCC Threat Assessment</u>. The Council requested an initial and recurring comprehensive NLCC threat assessment through the Office of the Director of National Intelligence from the Intelligence Community. Specific focus areas requested include:



D. (U) ARCHITECTURE DEVELOPMENT (OPR: DoD CIO. OCRs: DISA/JSEIO, NSA, USSTRATCOM)



- (U) DISA/JSEIO completed the NLCC Reference Architecture that provides technical positions and guidance to be used in developing NLCC solution architectures.
- (U) The last piece of this architectural approach is the specific Solution Architectures being developed by system owners, service providers, and resource providers, including DoD Agencies, Services, and Combatant Commanders.

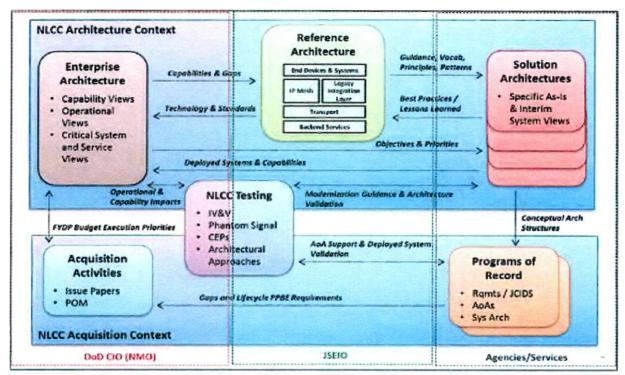
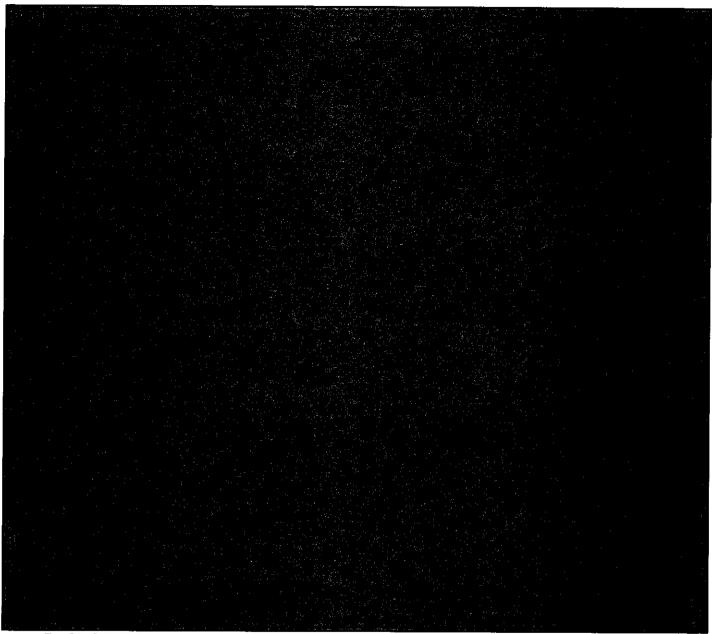


Figure 3 - (U) NLCC Architecture Development and Responsibilities

E. (U) RESOURCE PRIORITIZATION (OPR: All)



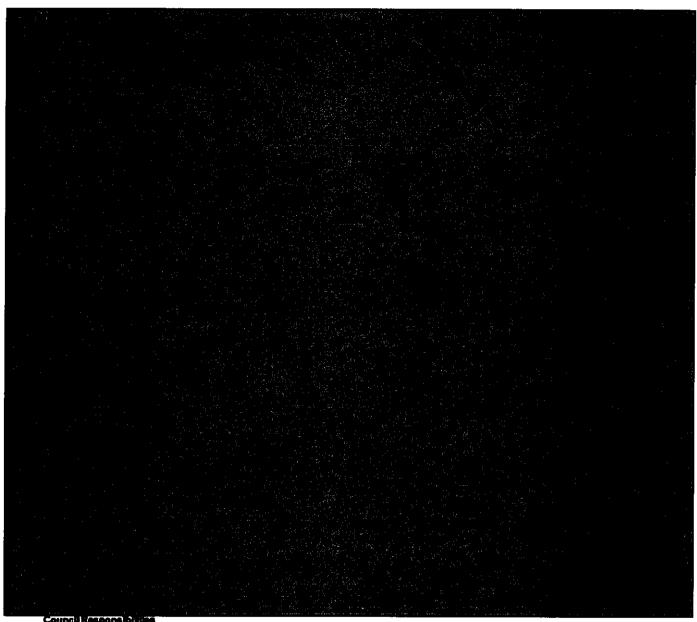
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F. (U) OTHER

(U) Table 1 gives a meeting-by-meeting overview of topics addressed by the Council over the previous year.

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Council Responsibilities
#1 - Performance Assessments
#2 - Vulnerability identification/mitigation

#3 - Architecture development #5 - Other #7 - USSTRATCOM/CJCS Budget Assessments #4 - Resource prioritization #6 - Annual Report to Congress

Table 1 - (U) Council 2014 Work Plan

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III. (U) ACTIVITIES PROPOSED TO BE UNDERTAKEN BY THE COUNCIL DURING THE CURRENT FYDP

(U) This is a living document with frequent updates and emerging topics.

| Agenda/Date | FY 2016 | FY 2017-2020 |
|-------------|--|---|
| Updates | Architecture (including roadmaps) Vulnerabilities Resources/Investment Strategy Assessments | |
| Topics | B-2 Beyond Line of Sight Comms | NLCC Overarching ICD Focus Areas: Command and Control Cybersecurity Communications |
| | E-4 Replacement | |
| | IP Conferencing | |
| | National | |
| | Security/Emergen | Protection |
| | cy Preparedness Comms | Awareness |
| | Regional Nuclear Ops & Deterrence | |

Table 2 - (U) Council Work Plan FYDP 2016-2020

IV. (U) CHANGES TO REQUIREMENTS OF THE NLC3S MADE DURING THE PREVIOUS YEAR

- (U) NLCC Overarching Initial Capabilities Document (approved by Joint Requirements Oversight Council May 2014). See Enclosure 1.
 - 2. (U) NLCC Strategic Concept (signed by DoD CIO Dec 2014). See Enclosure 2.

V. (U) BREAKDOWN OF NLC3S PROGRAM ELEMENTS. See Enclosure 3.

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GLOSSARY OF TERMS

AEHF Advanced Extremely High Frequency

AO Authorizing Official
AoA Analysis of Alternatives

BLOS Beyond Line-of-Sight

CDRUSSTRATCOM Commander, United States Strategic Command CDRUSNORTHCOM Commander, United States Northern Command

CEP Continuing Evaluation Program
CJCS Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff

COCOM Combatant Commander

DSCS Defense Satellite Communications System
DISA Defense Information Systems Agency
DMAG Deputy's Management Action Group

DoD CIO Department of Defense Chief Information Officer

DSP Defense Support Program

EHF Extremely High Frequency

FAB-T Family of Beyond Line-of-Sight-Terminal

FBM Fleet Ballistic Missile

ICD Initial Capabilities Document

IP Internet Protocol

ITW/AA Integrated Tactical Warning/ Attack Assessment

JCIDS Joint Capabilities Integration and Development System

JRSC Jam-Resistant Secure Communications

JS Joint Staff

JSEIO Joint Systems Engineering & Integration Office

MGS Mobile Ground System

NAOC National Airborne Operations Center

NC3 Nuclear Command, Control, and Communications

NCRA NC3 Cyber Risk Assessment

NDAA National Defense Authorization Act

NLC3S National Leadership Command, Control, and Communications System

NLCC National Leadership Command Capability
NMCC National Military Command Center

NSA National Security Agency
NUDET Nuclear Detonation

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PAO Principal Authorizing Official

PNVC Presidential and National Voice Conferencing

S2E2 SBIRS Survivable and Enduring Evolution

SATCOM Satellite Communications
SBIRS Space-Based Infrared System

SLC3S-A Senior Leader Command, Control, and Communications System -

Airborne

SMART-T Secure, Mobile, Anti-jam, Reliable Tactical-Terminal

USCYBERCOM United States Cyber Command

USD(I) Under Secretary of Defense for Intelligence

WGS Wideband Global SATCOM WHMO White House Military Office

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Enclosure 1, NLCC Overarching ICD (Insert Attachment B here)

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Enclosure 2, NLCC Strategic Concept (Insert Attachment C here)